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Kaua'i County Updating Multi-Hazard Mitigation & Resilience Plan; Opportunities Available for Public Input

LĪHU'E – The Kaua'i Emergency Management Agency (KEMA) invites residents of Kaua'i County to participate in a virtual public meeting later this month in support of the 2020 Multi-Hazard Mitigation & Resilience Plan update.

The Multi-Hazard Mitigation & Resilience Plan must be updated every five years for the County to be eligible for disaster assistance. Once approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the plan makes the County eligible for pre- and post-disaster mitigation project grant funding through FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance programs and other non-emergency disaster assistance.

The Multi-Hazard Mitigation and Resilience Plan is the County's hazard and risk assessment that looks at how the County can lessen the impact of natural hazards and become more resilient in the face of future disasters. During this planning process, County and local leaders, communities, and individuals work in tandem to identify risks, assess capabilities, and formulate a strategy to reduce disaster vulnerability in our County.

Public participation and feedback are a vital part of the hazard mitigation planning process. KEMA is holding a virtual public meeting to present the results of the hazard risk assessment. The meeting is an opportunity for the community to review, validate, and update the hazard and risk information. Two dates and times are available to attend the public meeting.

Dates, times, and online links for the Public Meetings



Zoom meeting links:

- Thursday, Sept. 24, from 5 to 7 p.m.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89467738243?pwd=Wm4yL3pOQXJYSXBVeHdDK3dDT3lm
dz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89467738243?pwd=Wm4yL3pOQXJYSXBVeHdDK3dDT3lmdz09)

Meeting ID: 894 6773 8243

Passcode: Kauai2020

- Saturday, Sept. 26, from 2 to 4 p.m.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87433172336?pwd=a3UwNTI6Z2k0enorVWZvSzZlNWGNJdz
09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87433172336?pwd=a3UwNTI6Z2k0enorVWZvSzZlNWGNJdz09)

Meeting ID: 874 3317 2336

Passcode: Kauai2020

Kaua'i County has also developed a survey to assist in gathering public input. The information from your survey responses will help identify mitigation actions.

Please complete the survey between now and Oct. 5 for the initial data input. Future survey responses will help shape additional mitigation actions. The survey will be available at www.kauai.gov/mitigation.

KEMA will schedule additional public meetings to invite the public to review and comment on the draft 2020 Multi-Hazard Mitigation & Resilience Plan before submitting to FEMA for review and approval. Dates and times will be announced when available.

For more information about the Hazard Mitigation & Resilience Plan or to learn about ways to participate in its development, please contact KEMA at 241-1800 or visit www.kauai.gov/mitigation.

If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, contact David Kennard at 241-1800 and dkennard@kauai.gov as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible will allow adequate time to fulfill your request.

Upon request, this notice is available in alternate formats such as large print, Braille, or electronic copy.

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